

# Challenge, Equality & Opportunity

## Final Newsletter from Broadway 07.04.22

### **Leaving Broadway**

After five years in the planning, we have finally reached the end of our time on the Broadway East site. While it is a very sad time in many ways, it is also extremely exciting and we can't wait to get set up at the new site.

We have all been reminiscing in school and remembering some of the school's past events. It's been lovely to look back at old photographs and talk about times gone by. We all have lots of happy memories here but we are only leaving behind the building and location. The school family remains as it is and will no doubt continue to be what we value most about past Broadway and future Havannah!

Each class has made their own memory book and these will come with us to the new school to help us to remember Broadway and to become part of the school's historical archive. Huge thanks to those of you who have shared family memories with us. We have shared these with the children this week and will put them with the school's archives too.

Our PTFA event on Tuesday was fantastic. Huge thanks to the PTFA and their supporters for getting this organised and running. Also thank you to everyone who came. We always appreciate your support, especially in the cold weather when we are outside! It was especially lovely to see some older siblings and their friends coming back to say bye to Broadway. We aren't sure yet how much money was raised but we will let you know.









## Parents and Carers' Visits to HFS

It was great to see so many of you at the new site on Monday. Thank you for coming and I hope that you found it useful. We will send you a plan of the site before the start of term with instructions for dropping off and picking up.





## Uniform

Please remember that the old blue uniform can be worn until it is worn out! There is no requirement for you to purchase a whole new uniform. If you are buying the new items, they are as below:

#### **General uniform**

Mid grey sweatshirt or cardigan (logo optional from Tots to Teams)

Y4 children can wear leavers' hoodies for the summer term

White polo shirt (logo optional from Tots to Teams)

Dark grey pinafore, dress, trousers or shorts

Dark green gingham dress

#### PE:

Dark green t shirt (logo optional from Tots to Teams)

Black shorts, leggings or joggers

Dark green hoodie for outdoor lessons and forest school activities (logo optional from Tots to Teams)

Dark green drawstring bag (logo optional)

#### Coats:

Children can wear any coat to school and there are two different dark green coats with the logo available from Tots to Teams.



#### **Bags:**

Children can use any bag which is suitable and can be hung easily on a peg.

Green back-pack/rucksack will be available in two sizes, badged and in dark green from Tots to Teams. Children can carry them easily if walking, scooting or cycling and they can put their water bottle upright in the exterior pocket.

#### Shoes:

Shoes should be black, hard wearing, appropriate for outdoor and adventurous play and should be closed in around the toes and back of the foot. For safety reasons, we advise against strappy sandals, crocs, jellies, fashion boots and canvas shoes.

## Website and Email addresses

These will both change but are planned to be in place in time for the new term. We will share the new details with you as soon as we have them. The telephone number is remaining the same (0191 2855141). There will be periods of changeover in the holiday when we do not have access to our current emails and telephone but we will catch up with any messages as soon as we can.



## Bus for Y4 Transport for the Summer Term

Reminder for parents and carers of Y4 children using the bus:

- The bus will be departing each day from the car park at Gosforth East Middle School at 8.30am and will depart from the Havannah site at 3.30pm to arrive back at GEMS at approximately 3.45pm.
- GEMS do not allow parents and carers to drive into the carpark at these times, please park off site if you are arriving by car.
- You will need to accompany your children to the bus and then pick them up from the coach at the of the day.
- The bus will not be able to wait at GEMS for families who are running late.
- There will be a member of our staff on the bus to keep everyone safe, please talk to your children and reinforce the message of staying in their seat and wearing a seatbelt.

## **Parent Governors**

We have had several nominations for Parent Governors, thank you to everyone who has shown an interest. We will have a ballot when we return to school after the holidays and get our new Governors in place as soon as possible.

## **Easter Egg Competition**

This year's efforts are the best ever! We can't believe how creative you all are; especially given that we gave you a challenging theme of 'school'! We will post the winners on Twitter before the end of the day. However, if you spent time hard boiling and decorating an egg – you are all winners!

I hope that you all have a lovely holiday and we can't wait to see you all on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April, ready for a very exciting term at Havannah First School!

Best wishes

Helen McKenna Headteacher

